

wherein the band saw blade is formed with a sequence of the first left set tooth, the second right set tooth, the third left set tooth and the fourth right set tooth;

wherein pitches in the moving direction among the first left set tooth, the second right set tooth, the third left set tooth and the fourth right set tooth are different from one another;

wherein respective lengths of the first bending line, the second bending line, the third bending line and the fourth bending line are the same;

wherein a straight imaginary line which is drawn by connecting tip ends of all the first to the fourth set teeth is parallel to the moving direction;

wherein said first bending line, said second bending line, said third bending line and said fourth bending line are collinear with a single baseline, and wherein bottoms of gullets between the teeth are disposed below the single baseline.

Please add the following new claims:

17. (New) The band saw blade according to claim 15,

wherein gullets are formed between the teeth, the gullets having a straight portion and two round portions whose radii are the same.

18. (New) The band saw blade according to claim 15,

wherein the teeth have relief surfaces that are perpendicular to the moving direction.

19. (New) The band saw blade according to claim 15,

wherein at least one of the teeth includes a straight portion at its tip, the straight portion being parallel to the bending line.

REMARKS

Claim 15 is pending in the application. Claim 15 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Armstrong et al.

Claim 15 recites that the lengths of the first, second, third and fourth bending lines (L) are the same. This is shown in Fig. 1B of the present invention and supported in the specification in